GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

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Direct Benefit Transfer for JRF
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether University Grants Commission (UGC) has started Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) for Junior Research Fellowship (JRF);
(b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the number of students benefited from the above scheme during the year 2015-16;
(c) the time taken by the UGC to transfer amount of fellowship to the accounts of students including time taken by nodal banks;
(d) whether delay is being caused due to non-allocation of budget in providing fellowship;
(e) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and
(f) the details of the JRF disbursed during the fiscal year 2015-16, State-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
(Dr. MAHENDRA NATH PANDEY)

(a): Yes, Madam. The University Grants Commission (UGC) has started Direct benefit Transfer (DBT) for disbursement of Junior Research Fellowship (JRF).
(b): The UGC has informed that during the year 2015-2016 a total number of 8,011 students were disbursed an amount of Rs.239.82 crore, on DBT platform through PFMS, in the scheme.
(c): The UGC has further informed that payments are made on monthly basis to the beneficiaries on the basis of continuation certificates, submitted every 3 months to the designated bank branches.
(d) & (e): The UGC has informed that there has been no delay in disbursal of funds. However in very few cases delay may have been caused due to the following reasons, viz. delay in submission of claim; late joining by candidate; delay in submission of documents to the bank branches; delay in upload of documents; etc.
(f): The details of the JRF disbursed during the fiscal year 2015-16, State-wise, on DBT mode, is at Annexure.
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